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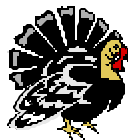
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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS



The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was fully steady, instances firm. Demand was light to moderate. Limited sales were reported on packer label hens and toms for immediate ship. Supplies were light to moderate with most interest noted for deferred arrivals. Bulk parts and meats trading was light to moderate. Demand was moderate with buyers being selective. Offerings mixed.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was moderate. Export trading noted on whole body hens and toms for prompt shipment hens 68 cents and toms 66 cents. Demand was moderate. Supplies were light to moderate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JUNE 02, 2005**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	68-69	69	69.00	60	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	68-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	68-69	-	-	-	-	-	-	720	OCT
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	67-68	67	67.00	60	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	67-69	69	69.00	10	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-68	-	-	-	-	-	-	520	OCT

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JUNE 03, 2005	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO	MONTH OF MAY	CURRENT MONTH	LAST MONTH	SAME MONTH YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	69.00	67.70 **	66.50	EASTERN REGION	67.69	65.86	66.41
CENTRAL REGION	68.13 **	67.00	69.00	CENTRAL REGION	67.20	65.12	66.23
WESTERN REGION	68.13 **	67.70 **	68.63 **	WESTERN REGION	67.74	66.12	66.30
16-24 LB TOMS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	67.00	67.10 **	67.00	EASTERN REGION	66.87	64.50	67.11
CENTRAL REGION	69.00	67.75	67.50 **	CENTRAL REGION	66.69	64.17	66.60
WESTERN REGION	67.50 **	67.00	67.50 **	WESTERN REGION	66.69	64.86	66.78

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	88-96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	88-96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-77
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	67-75
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-77

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	106-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	106-123

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS

(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of 06-JUN-2005

Price (cents/lb.)	Volume (lbs.)
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PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	79.24	170,000
16-24 lbs.	78.67	60,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume:	245,000
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TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 28-May-2005 (Preliminary)

		YOUNG TURKEYS		TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG	OLD	AVG	
		CHG	LIVE	BANDED	LIVE	
-THOUSAND HEAD-		PW	WT	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT	
North East	726	-12	23.76	(A)	727	23.76
South Atlantic	689	0	31.87	(A)	689	31.87
North Central	2,175	1	32.00	(A)	2,175	32.00
South Central	583	-10	18.01	(A)	583	18.01
West	262	-11	26.31	(A)	262	26.31

U.S. total	4,435(B)	-4	28.46	1	4,436	28.46
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To-date

2005	88,018(B)	62	88,080
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To-date

2004	89,305(B)	150	89,455
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(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

((B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 17,000; for the current year to date 461,000; for last year to date 919,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

April	423,567*
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May 1 - 28, 2005	417,765*
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To date 2005	2,075,980*
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To date 2004	2,022,802*
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* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

W/E 28-May-2005

(Preliminary)

	<u>YOUNG</u>		<u>YOUNG</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>HENS</u>	<u>TOMS</u>	<u>BREEDERS</u>		<u>TURKEYS</u>
	<u>Thousands</u>				
Head	1,890	2,528	17	1	4,436
Avg Wt	16.26	37.59	25.46	50.55	28.46
Last week	1,980	2,623	12	1	4,616
Same wk yr ago	1,768	2,609	43	9	4,429
Avg Wt	15.61	37.13	25.05	31.79	28.41
To-date/2005	34,213	53,344	461	62	88,080
To-date/2004	36,134	52,252	919	150	89,455

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 2 JUNE 2005.

The market tone on tom drums was steady to firm, tom 2-joint wings cautiously steady to steady, tom full-cut wings and necks steady. Demand good on tom drums for domestic and export shipments, balance of tom bulk parts light to moderate. Offerings of tom drums light at best, tom necks light but spotty, tom 2-joint wings adequate to instances fully adequate and tom full-cut wings adequate. The market tone on hen 2-joint wings was firm, balance of hen bulk parts steady to fully steady. Demand good on hen 2-joint wings, balance moderate. Offerings of hen 2-joint wings short, balance light. The market tone on thigh meat was steady to weak. Demand moderate to good at the lower trending price levels. Offerings adequate to instances burdensome. The market tone on mechanically separated turkey (MST) was steady to barely steady. Demand slow to moderate. Offerings adequate to instances burdensome. Imported frozen -20% MST was noted at lower trending prices. Some note institutional sized rib breasts tight for prompt deliveries, adequate for deferred. Trading was heavy on frozen thigh meat for export, moderate on fresh tom breast meat for domestic shipments, balance light. For domestic (rib breasts): Grade A non-basted 14-18 lb. breasts 148, plant grade basted 18-20 lb. 140 cents delivered. For export: fresh tom drums 43, tom hand defatted gizzards 53, fresh thigh meat 81 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	149.00-169.00		149.95	21
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	98.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	44.00-47.00		45.57	140
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	45.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	41.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	25.00-27.00		26.20	200
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	28.00	15
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	45.00		45.00	3
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	88.00		88.00	9
NECKS, TOM	40.00-43.00		41.36	111
NECKS, HEN		R	39.00	5
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		T	171.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	169.00-172.00		170.00	560
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		F	84.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT	141.00		141.00	20
SCAPULA MEAT	97.00-99.00		97.71	140
TENDERLOINS		R	152.00	24
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	149.00		149.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		W	170.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	47.00-54.00		51.25	160
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	45.00-50.00		47.42	264
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		F	24.00	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		R	25.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	47.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	75.00-81.00		79.26	886

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 JUNE 2005.

The market tone on tom breast meat was mostly steady, fresh destrapped tenderloins steady at best, frozen destrapped tenderloins steady to barely steady, frozen scapula steady to instances weak, frozen wing meat with skin barely steady to weak with some sellers looking for bids. Demand moderate on fresh tom breast meat, balance very light to instances moderate. Some processors have noted increased further processed activity. The market tone on frozen thigh meat continued steady to weak, fresh thigh meat steady to barely steady. Demand was active at the lower trending price levels. Offerings uneven with some held with more confidence than others. The market tone on fresh mechanically separated turkey was steady to weak, frozen steady at best. Demand light for the adequate to instances fresh offerings, frozen spotty. Industry members continued to watch Brazil for possible market ramifications. For domestic: Grade A non-basted 14-16 lb. breasts 148 and 18-20 lb. breasts 140, Grade A basted 8-10 lb. breasts 110 and 12-14 lb. breasts 140, ground wing meat with skin 54-56, fresh scapula 111-120.75 mostly 111 cents delivered. For export: fresh thigh meat 84 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/						
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	145.00		145.00	23	147.36	44
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		W	98.00	80	98.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	46.00-48.00		47.92	48	46.17	188
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	46.00		46.00	80	46.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	41.00	40	41.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	26.00-26.50		26.49	81	26.28	281
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN						
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	44.00		44.00	48	44.06	51
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	88.00	9	88.00	9
NECKS, TOM	41.00-42.00		41.05	41	41.28	152
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	171.00		171.00	40	171.00	80
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	168.00-172.00		170.00	200	170.00	760
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	83.00		83.00	28	83.00	28
BREAST TRIM MEAT	141.00		141.00	40	141.00	60
SCAPULA MEAT	89.00		89.00	80	94.55	220
TENDERLOINS	152.00		152.00	40	152.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		R	149.00	120	149.00	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH		W	170.00	80	170.00	80
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	81.00		81.00	40	81.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/						
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	50.00-51.00		50.03	64	50.90	224
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	43.00-48.00		45.19	352	46.38	656
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	24.00		24.00	208	24.00	208
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	40.00		40.00	208	40.00	208
TAILS	24.00-27.00		24.83	72	24.83	72
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	45.50		45.50	80	46.25	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	77.00-83.00		78.60	456	79.15	1,382

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